

JOINT
PUBLIC NOTICE

CHARLESTON DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
69A Hagood Avenue
Charleston, South Carolina 29403-5107
and the
S.C. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL
OFFICE OF OCEAN AND COASTAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
1362 McMillan Avenue, Suite 400
Charleston, South Carolina 29405

REGULATORY DIVISION
Refer to: P/N #2005-2W-411

December 23, 2005

Pursuant to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403), Sections 401 and 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344), and the South Carolina Coastal Zone Management Act (48-39-10 et.seq.) an application has been submitted to the Department of the Army and the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control by

ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH OF CHARLESTON
C/O FRED DENHAM
1945 BEES FERRY ROAD
CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA 29414

for a permit to place fill material in waters of the United States, including freshwater wetlands, in and adjacent to

AN UNNAMED TRIBUTARY OF THE STONO RIVER

at a location adjacent to Bees Ferry Road in Charleston County, South Carolina (Latitude: 35.825, Longitude: 80.06666).

In order to give all interested parties an opportunity to express their views

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is hereby given that written statements regarding the proposed work will be received by both of the above mentioned offices until

12 O'CLOCK NOON, MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2006

from those interested in the activity and whose interests may be affected by the proposed work.

The proposed work consists of filling 1.543 acres of wetlands to construct a new church and parking area. Approximately 0.641 acres will be filled to construct 48,000 square feet of building space. Approximately 0.423 acres will be excavated and filled to meet the storm water requirements and 0.479 acres will be filled to provide an entrance road and sufficient parking. The overall project purpose as stated by the applicant is to build a new church for the Abundant Life Church of Charleston to provide satisfactory amenities for church parishioners to serve and worship.

NOTE: Plans depicting the work described in this notice are available and will be provided, upon receipt of a written request, to anyone that is interested in obtaining a copy of the plans for the specific project. The request must identify the project of interest by

public notice number and a self-addressed stamped envelope must also be provided for mailing the drawings to you. Your request for drawings should be addressed to the

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
ATTN: REGULATORY DIVISION
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The District Engineer has concluded that the discharges associated with this project, both direct and indirect, should be reviewed by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control in accordance with provisions of Section 401 of the Clean Water Act. As such, this notice constitutes a request, on behalf of the applicant, for certification that this project will comply with applicable effluent limitations and water quality standards. The work shown on this application must also be certified as consistent with applicable provisions the Coastal Zone Management Program (15 CFR 930). The District Engineer will not process this application to a conclusion until such certifications are received. The applicant is hereby advised that supplemental information may be required by the State to facilitate the review.

This notice initiates the Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) consultation requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. Implementation of the proposed project would impact 1.543 acres of wetlands located upstream of estuarine substrates and emergent wetlands utilized by various life stages of species comprising the red drum, shrimp, and snapper-grouper management complexes. Our initial determination is that the proposed action would not have a substantial individual or cumulative adverse impact on EFH or fisheries managed by the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council and the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS). Our final determination relative to project impacts and the need for mitigation measures is subject to review by and coordination with the NMFS.

Pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (as amended), the District Engineer has consulted the most recently available information and has determined that the project is not likely to adversely affect any Federally endangered, threatened, or proposed species or result in the destruction or adverse modification of designated or proposed critical habitat. This public notice serves as a request for written concurrence from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and/or the National Marine Fisheries Service on this determination.

The District Engineer has consulted the latest published version of the National Register of Historic Places for the presence or absence of registered properties, or properties listed as being eligible for inclusion therein, and this worksite is not included as a registered property or property listed as being eligible for inclusion in the Register. Consultation of the National Register constitutes the extent of cultural resource investigations by the District Engineer, and he is otherwise unaware of the presence of such resources. Presently unknown archaeological, scientific, prehistorical, or historical data may be lost or destroyed by the work to be accomplished under the requested permit.


Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for a public hearing shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the activity on the public interest and will include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), under authority of Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act and, as appropriate, the criteria established under authority of Section 102 of the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act of 1972, as amended. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and

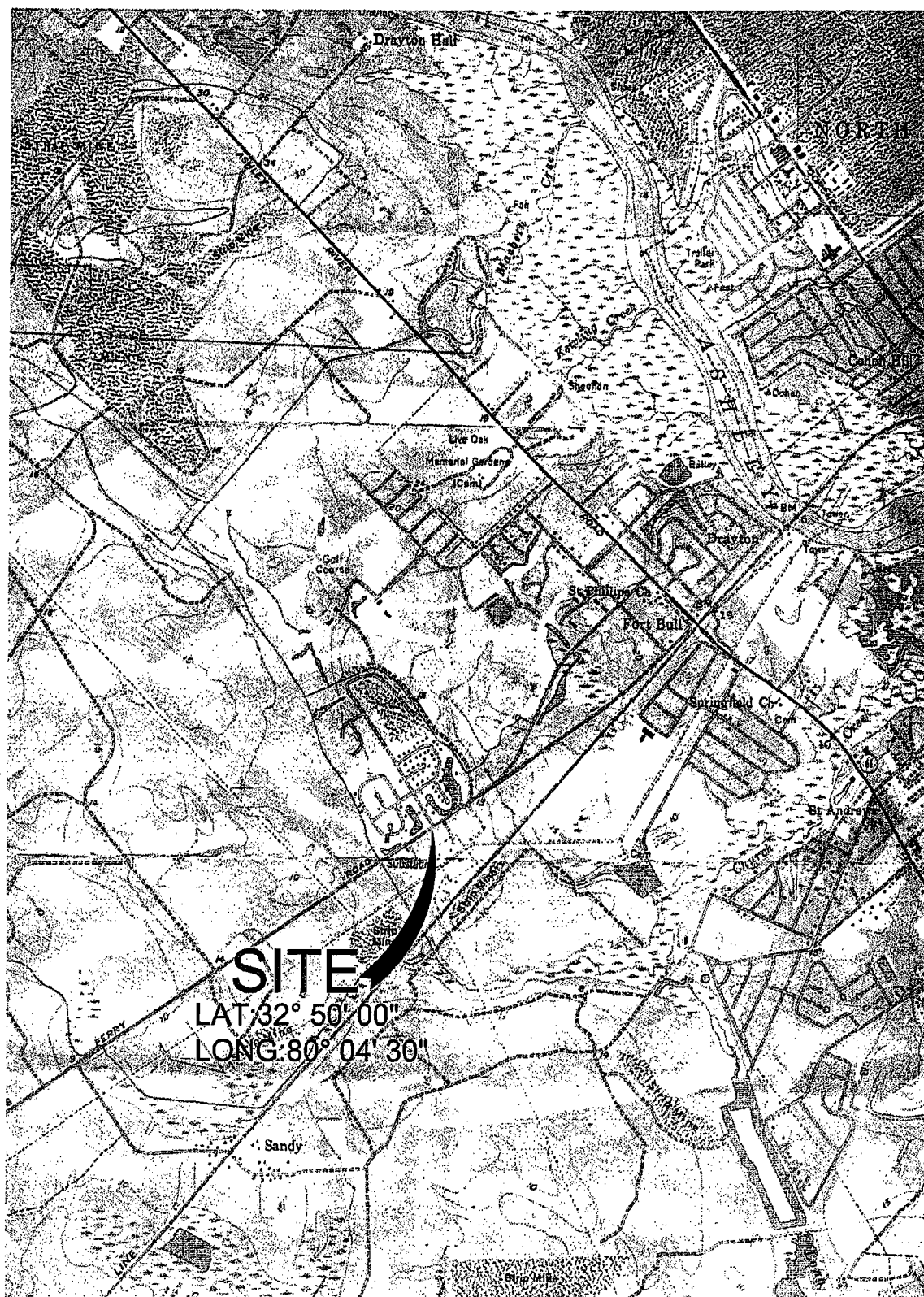
utilization of important resources. The benefit which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the project must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the project will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, flood plain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people. A permit will be granted unless the District Engineer determines that it would be contrary to the public interest. In cases of conflicting property rights, the Corps of Engineers cannot undertake to adjudicate rival claims.

The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this project. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the activity.

If there are any questions concerning this public notice, please contact Robin D. Collier-Socha at 843-329-8044 or toll free at 1-866-329-8187.

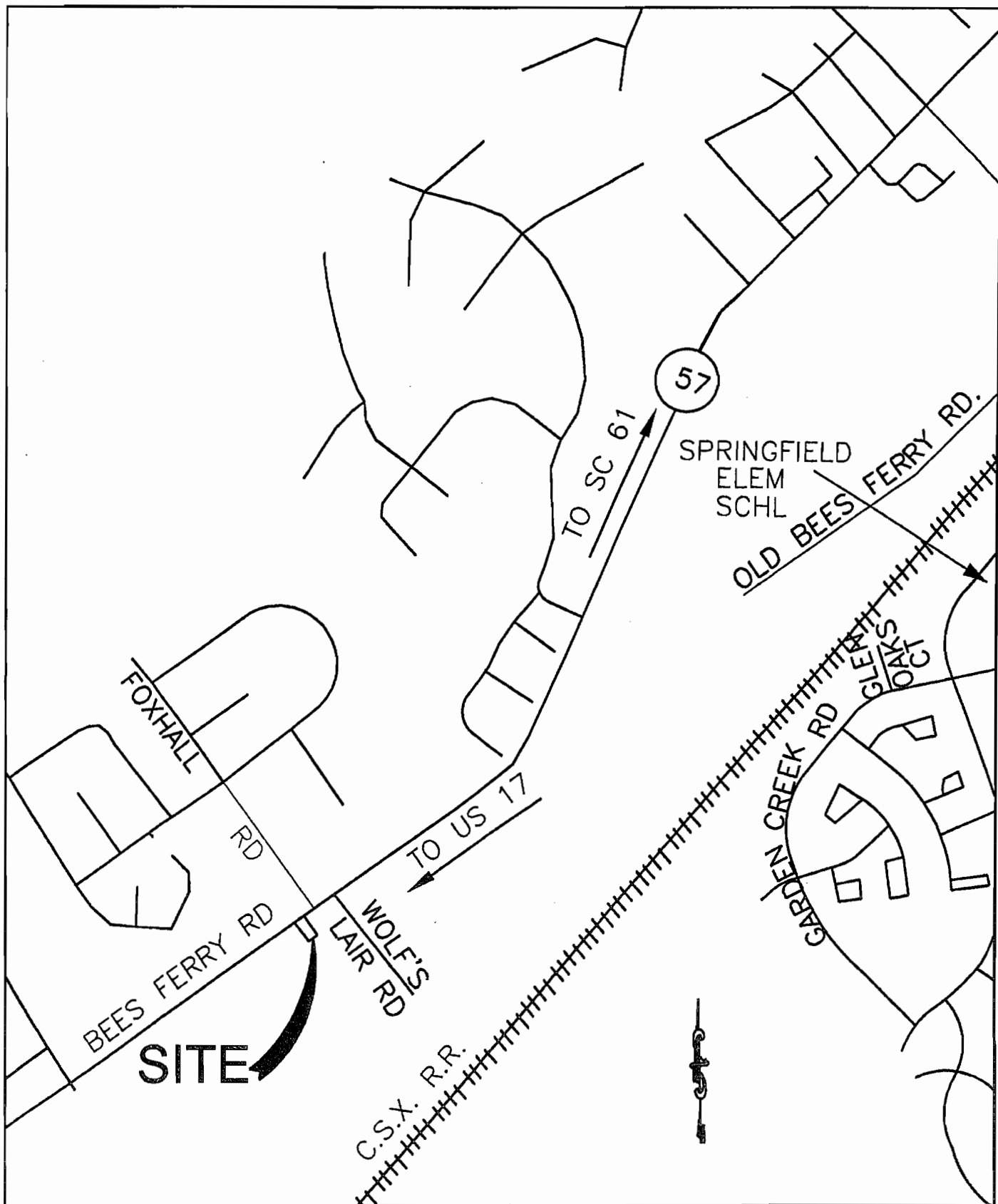


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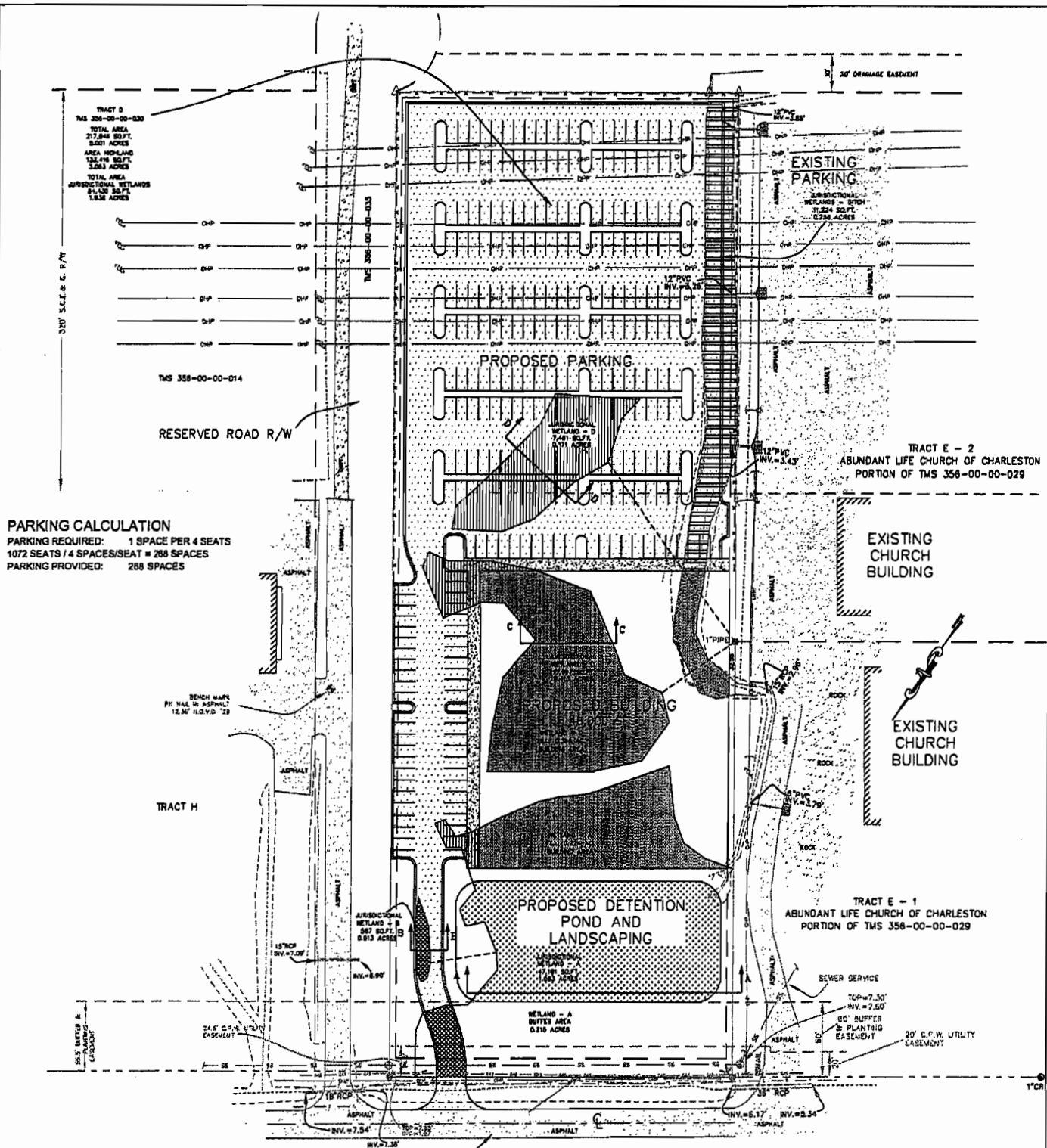
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 DATE: FEBRUARY 2005
 SHEET: 1 OF 8
 JOB#: 1444

PROPOSED ACTIVITY: WETLAND IMPACT FOR CHURCH
 CONSTRUCTION
 COUNTY: CHARLESTON
 TITLE: QUAD MAP
 APPLICANT: ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH
 OF CHARLESTON



SCALE: AS NOTED
DATE: FEBRUARY 2005
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PROPOSED ACTMITY:	WETLAND IMPACT FOR CHURCH CONSTRUCTION
COUNTY:	CHARLESTON
TITLE:	COUNTY ROAD LOCATION MAP
APPLICANT:	ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH OF CHARLESTON



 WETLAND IMPACTED BY BUILDING
 WETLAND IMPACTED BY PARKING
 WETLAND IMPACTED BY ENTRANCE ROAD
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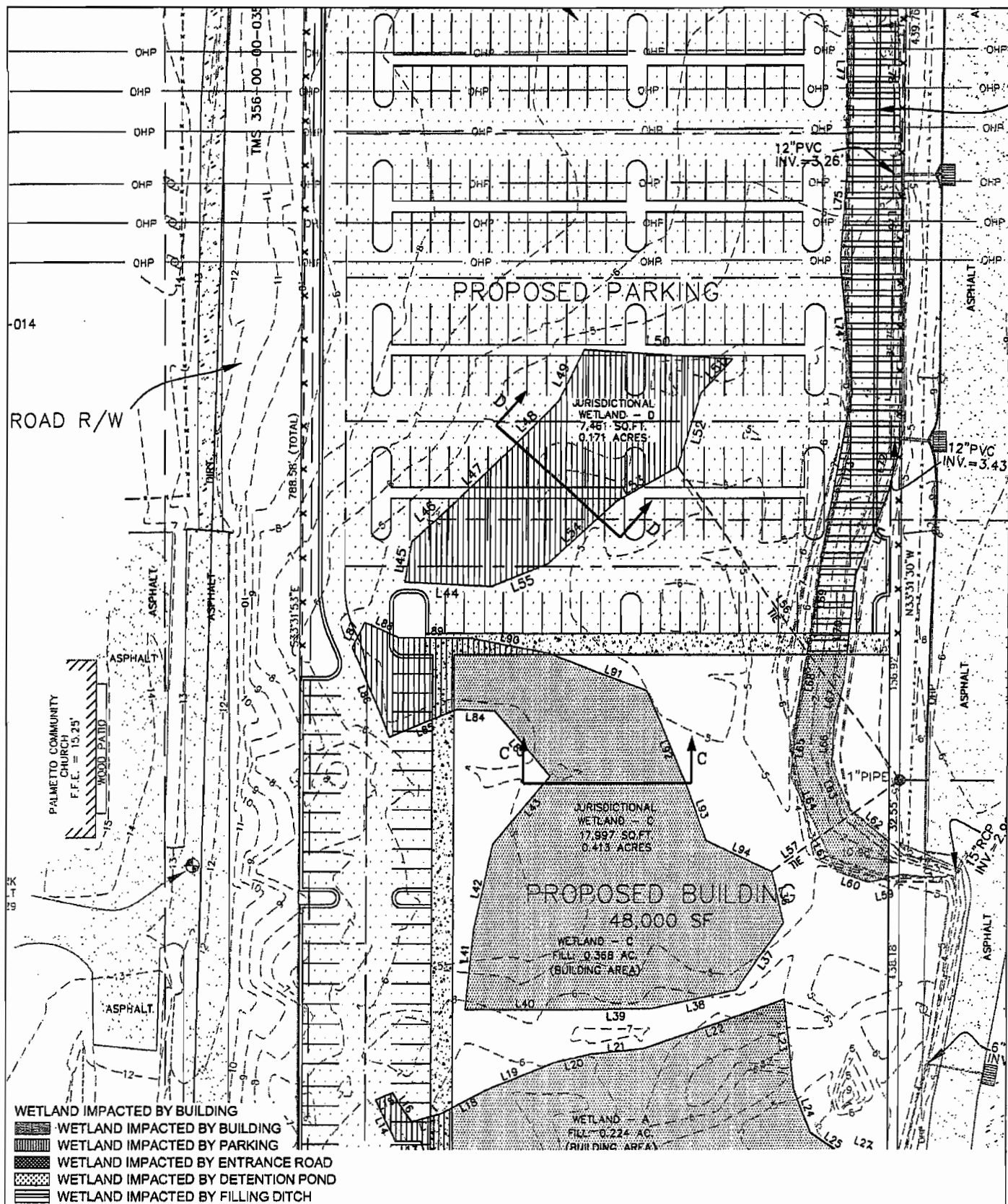
NOTE:
DETENTION POND SITUATED AT
NORTH END OF PROPERTY TO
MATCH EXISTING TOPOGRAPHY

PROPOSED ACTIVITY:	WETLAND IMPACT FOR CHURCH CONSTRUCTION
COUNTY:	CHARLESTON
TITLE:	OVERALL MASTER PLAN
APPLICANT:	ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH OF CHARLESTON



 WETLAND IMPACTED BY BUILDING
 WETLAND IMPACTED BY PARKING
 WETLAND IMPACTED BY ENTRANCE ROAD
 WETLAND IMPACTED BY DETENTION POND
 WETLAND IMPACTED BY FILLING DITCH

PROPOSED ACTIVITY:	WETLAND IMPACT FOR CHURCH CONSTRUCTION
COUNTY:	CHARLESTON
TITLE:	PLAN
APPLICANT:	ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH OF CHARLESTON



SCALE: 1" = 60'

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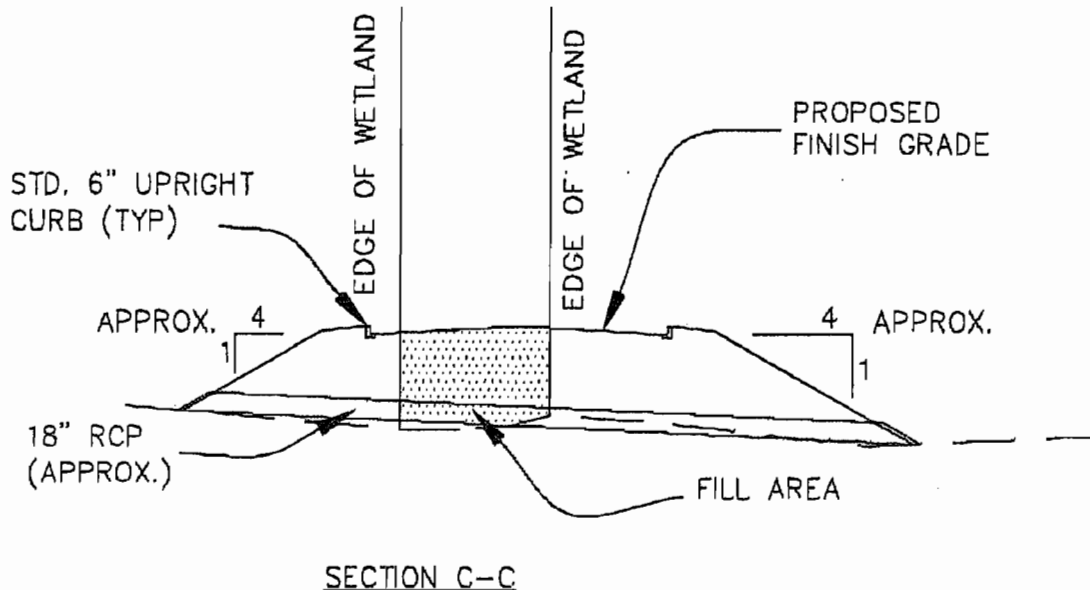
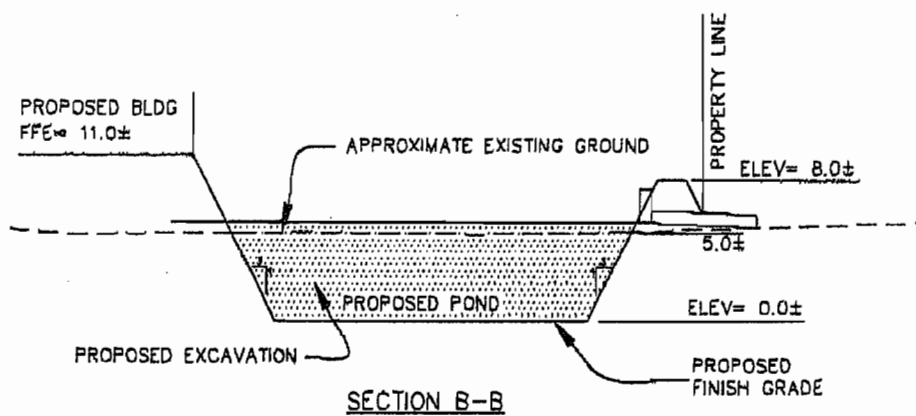
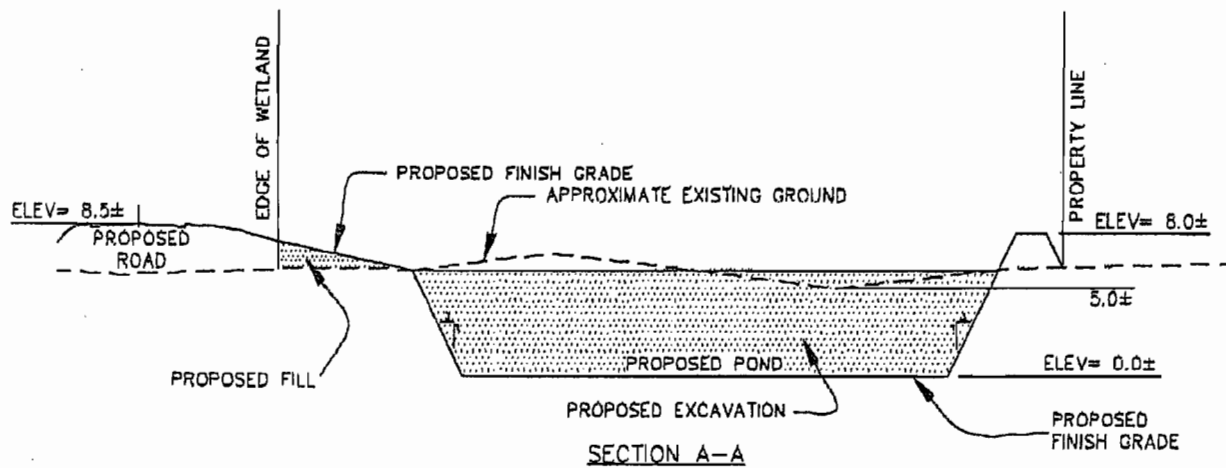
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COUNTY: CHARLESTON

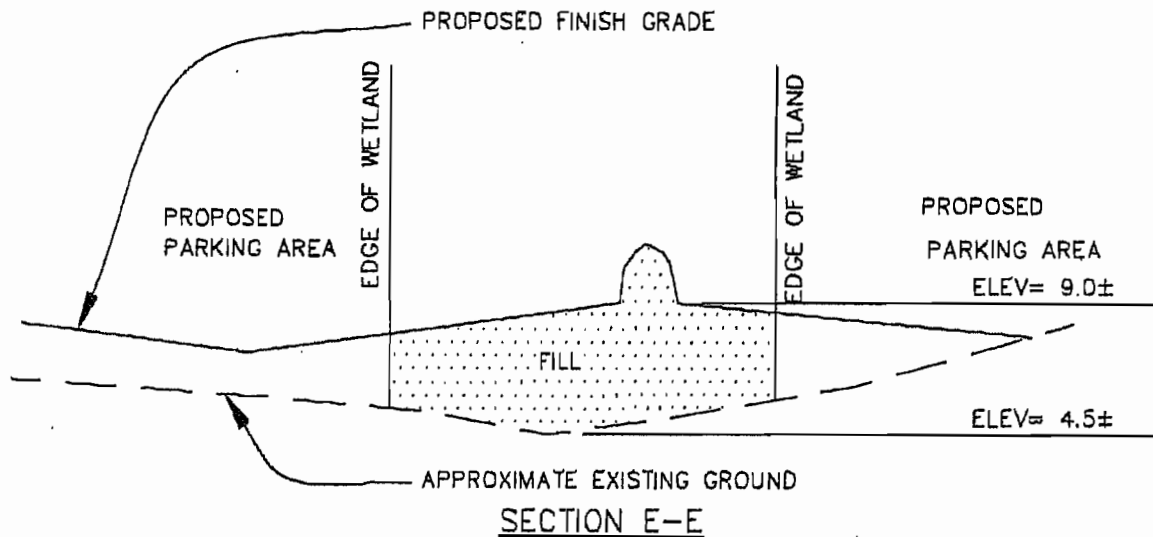
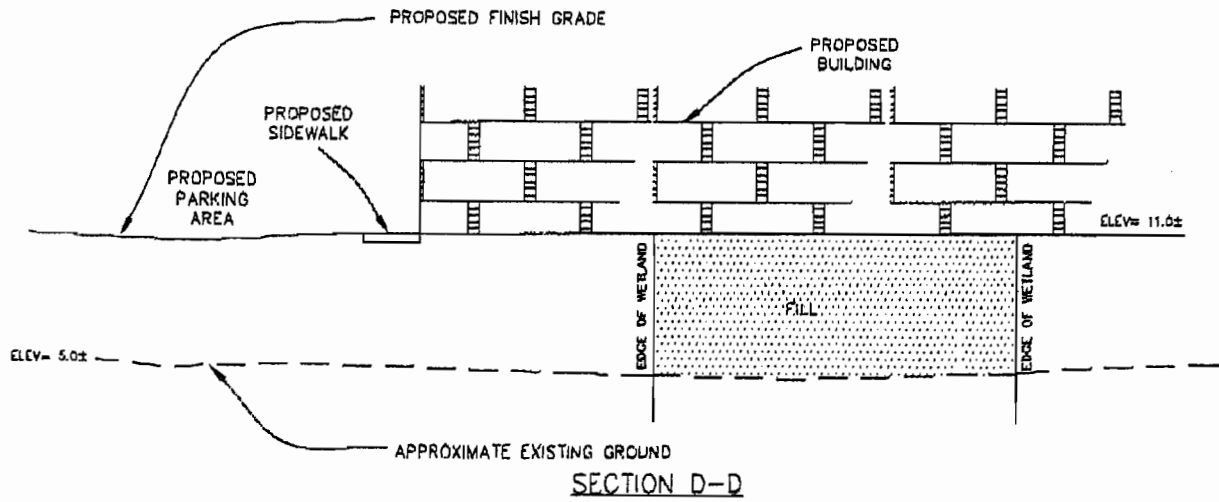
TITLE: PLAN

APPLICANT: ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH OF CHARLESTON



SCALE: NOT TO SCALE
 DATE: FEBRUARY 2005
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PROPOSED ACTIVITY: WETLAND IMPACT FOR CHURCH CONSTRUCTION
 COUNTY: CHARLESTON
 TITLE: SECTION
 APPLICANT: ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH OF CHARLESTON



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PROPOSED ACTIVITY: WETLAND IMPACT FOR CHURCH
 CONSTRUCTION
 COUNTY: CHARLESTON
 TITLE: SECTION
 APPLICANT: ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH
 OF CHARLESTON

PROPERTY INFORMATION:

TMS NUMBER: 356-00-00-029
OWNER: 3.063 AC.
APPLICANT: ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH OF CHARLESTON
ENGINEER: CONNOR ENGINEERING, INC.
SURVEYOR: CONNOR ENGINEERING, INC.

WETLAND IMPACT AREAS:

TOTAL TRACT AREA: 5.001 AC.
TOTAL AREA WETLAND A: 1.082 AC.
TOTAL AREA WETLAND B: 0.013 AC.
TOTAL AREA WETLAND C: 0.413 AC.
TOTAL AREA WETLAND D: 0.171 AC.
TOTAL AREA WETLAND DITCH: 0.257 AC.
TOTAL WETLAND AREA: 1.936 AC.
TOTAL UPLAND AREA: 3.065 AC.

WETLAND IMPACTS:

TOTAL IMPACTED AREA WETLAND A: 0.691 AC.
TOTAL IMPACTED AREA WETLAND B: 0.013 AC.
TOTAL IMPACTED AREA WETLAND C: 0.413 AC.
TOTAL IMPACTED AREA WETLAND D: 0.171 AC.
TOTAL IMPACTED AREA WETLAND DITCH: 0.255 AC.
TOTAL IMPACTED WETLAND AREA: 1.543 AC.

AREA SUMMARY BY WETLAND:

WETLAND A:
BUILDING IMPACT AREA: 0.223 AC.
PARKING IMPACT AREA: 0.014 AC.
ENTRANCE ROAD IMPACT AREA: 0.031 AC.
POND IMPACT AREA: 0.423 AC.
WETLAND B:
ENTRANCE ROAD IMPACT AREA: 0.013 AC.
WETLAND C:
BUILDING IMPACT AREA: 0.369 AC.
PARKING IMPACT AREA: 0.044 AC.
WETLAND D:
PARKING IMPACT AREA: 0.171 AC.
WETLAND DITCH:
BUILDING IMPACT AREA: 0.049 AC.
PARKING IMPACT AREA: 0.206 AC.

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CONSTRUCTION
COUNTY: CHARLESTON
TITLE: IMPACT SUMMARY
APPLICANT: ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH
OF CHARLESTON